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WAR FOOD ADMINISTRATION
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SOUTHERN REGION CONTAINER INFORMATION

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Quietness characterized the used container situation in the Southern Region the past two weeks. However, used container dealers, produce dealers and poultry and egg houses sought out used baskets and crates for purchase and systematic reconditioning. Several Army posts report large accumulations of used containers, some of which have previously been advertised in formal invitations to bid, and which are now available for spot sale. Some used container dealers are anxious to dispose of part of their heavy stocks because of lack of warehouse facilities.

The following is quoted from a statement by the War Food Administration on the "Tight Supply of Machinery and Container Material for Food Industries": "In regard to the conservation and re-use of secondhand containers, the WFA states that the need for such programs is greater than ever. Intensive and extensive conservation and re-use programs, officials said, offer the only hope of having enough shipping containers, wooden containers for fruits and vegetables, and textile bags to meet the minimum essential requirements of the war food program in 1945."

A L A B A M A

J. T. Dorminey Produce Company, Montgomery, Alabama

1000 hampers	1000 orange crates
1500 bushel baskets	1500 miscellaneous crates
1000 lettuce crates	

F L O R I D A

Julius Levin, Jacksonville, Florida - Phone 5-4990

25,000 bushel baskets, with tops	100,000 tomato lugs
6,000 1/2 bushel baskets, with tops	6,000 bushel sweet potato boxes
30,000 1-bushel hampers, with tops	65,000 100# potato bags
30,000 fiberboard egg cases, complete	40,000 cabbage bags
10,000 wooden egg cases, complete	35,000 1/2 box orange bags
25,000 1-3/5 bushel wire-bound boxes	20,000 tomato crates, with tops, assembled
60,000 lettuce crates	

Florida Crate Company, 1708 W. Beaver St., Jacksonville, Fla. - Phone 3-1990

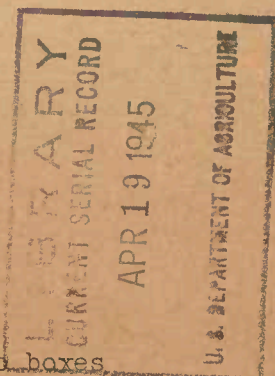
1,500 bushel hampers, with tops	500 tomato lugs
2,500 bushel hampers, w/o tops	200 lemon boxes
800 egg cases, empty	500 bushel apple boxes
250 egg cases, full	4,000 Bruce boxes, knocked down
700 Howard celery crates, knocked down	500 Bruce boxes, assembled
2,000 100# bags, potato	5,000 onion bags
8,000 cabbage bags	

The Farmers Supply and Container Company,
2176 Broadway, Jacksonville, Florida - Phone 5-4473

7,000 bushel baskets, with tops	4,000 wire-bound potato boxes, bushel capacity
30,000 bushel hampers, with or w/o tops	550 celery crates
500 1/2 bushel baskets	2,500 tomato lugs
7,500 egg cases, complete	400 lemon or California orange boxes
6,000 1-3/5 wire-bound citrus boxes, assembled	500 4/5 standard orange boxes
2,000 1-3/5 wire-bound citrus boxes, knocked down	250 1-3/5 standard orange boxes
100 4/5 wire-bound citrus boxes, knocked down	2,000 potato bags, #1, 100# capacity
35,000 wire-bound meat boxes, 30# capacity	10,000 graded cabbage bags
9,000 lettuce crates	8,000 assorted burlap bags
5,000 nailed boxes, bushel capacity	15,000 onion bags
	10,000 rutabaga bags, 50# capacity

Roy Kopstein, 1245 N. W. 2nd Street, Miami 35, Florida

12,000 egg cases, complete with flats & fillers	20,000 bushel lids
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Special Note: The following containers have been listed for sale at Camp Blanding, Florida in a formal Invitation to Bid. These bids were to be opened January 29 but some of the items may not have been contracted for and may be available yet.

Purchasing and Contracting Branch, Supply Division, Camp Blanding, Florida

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Article and Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit</u>
141	Barrels, 50-gallon		
	a. Oak	50	ea.
	b. Wooden	1,000	ea.
143	Baskets		
	a. Bushel	10,000	ea.
	b. Half-bushel	1,000	ea.
145	Crates, fruit and vegetable		
	a. Celery	2,000	ea.
	b. Lemon	300	ea.
	c. Lettuce	2,000	ea.
	d. Lime	300	ea.
	e. Orange (California & Florida)	100	ea.
	f. Pepper	100	ea.
146	Boxes and cases, packing		
	146-A - Nail-type		
	1. Apple	500	ea.
	2. Banana	500	ea.
	3. Pear	200	ea.
	4. Covers for	500	ea.
	146-B - Wire-bound		
	1. Bacon	1,000	ea.
	2. Bruce	1,000	ea.
	3. Bruce, four-fifths	500	ea.
	4. Canned fruit and vegetable (capacity 24 No. 2 cans)	1,500	ea.
	5. Cheese	100	ea.
	6. Ham	1,000	ea.
	7. Milk, evaporated (Capacity 48 14½ oz. cans)	1,000	ea.
	8. Poultry		
	a. 14" x 17½" x 7½"	1,000	ea.
	b. 16½" x 21" x 7½"	250	ea.
	c. 13" x 29" x 6"	250	ea.
149	Egg cases, used, complete with flats and fillers:		
	a. Cardboard	5,000	ea.
	b. Wooden	5,000	ea.
150	Egg case shell, unreconditioned:		
	a. Cardboard	2,500	ea.
	b. Wooden	2,500	ea.
155	Bottles and jugs, glass, 1-gal.	1,200	ea.
157	Hampers		
	a. Bushel	2,500	ea.
	b. Half-bushel	500	ea.
158	Covers, basket and hamper	10,000	ea.
159	Lugs		
	a. Grape	1,000	ea.
	b. Tomato	3,000	ea.

G E O R G I A

Roy Chamlee, Company, 29 Gilmer St., Atlanta, Georgia

3,000 bean hampers	200 tomato crates
1,500 bean hamper lids	200 egg crates, wooden, complete

Dixie Bag and Crate Company, 1031 Lee St., S.W., Atlanta, Georgia

Unlimited amounts of the following:

New cabbage bags, green, 50 lb. size	New 1/2 box orange bags, 20 lbs.,
New 8-quart market baskets	8 lbs., and 5 lbs.

Smith Company, 905 Bankhead Avenue, N. W., Atlanta, Ga.

Several thousand 50-60 gal. wooden barrels, single and double head, uncleaned and cleaned

Several thousand 55 gal. steel drums uncleaned and cleaned.

United Auto Wrecking Company, Adamson and Doane Streets, S. W., Atlanta, Ga.

1,000 egg crates, complete with fillers 500 bean hampers

CONTAINERS WANTED: Dixie Bag and Crate Company, 1031 Lee St., S.W., Atlanta, Ga.

Used bushel baskets with or without lids

M I S S I S S I P P I

Camp Shelby, Camp Shelby, Mississippi

1,000 burlap potato bags

Keesler Field, Keesler Field, Mississippi

3,500 fruit and vegetable boxes and crates (no sizes stated)

Prisoner of War Camp, Clinton, Mississippi

100 bu. hampers @ 5¢ ea. 175 fruit & vegetable crates @ 6¢ ea.

N O R T H C A R O L I N A

Army Airways Communications System, AAF, Asheville, N. C.

Bids were opened Jan. 23 on the following:

Approximately 20 egg cases per month

Approximately 40 vegetable and meat crates per month

It is possible that these items have not yet been contracted for, in which case they might be obtained by contacting the Salvage Officer, City Bldg., Asheville, N.C.

S O U T H C A R O L I N A

H. C. Jones, Sr., Box 66, Saluda, South Carolina

8,000 half bushel peach baskets with tops	8,000 cardboard egg cases complete
6,000 bushel baskets and lids	1,500 24-qt. strawberry crates, complete
50,000 bushel bean hampers and tops	10,000 tomato lugs with tops
10,000 wooden egg cases complete	1,500 lettuce crates

Williston Manufacturing Company, Williston, South Carolina

50,000 New 32-quart bean hampers, complete with covers